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INFORMATION IN A DATA-PACKET-SWITCHING
COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE

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as follows:

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Please replace the Specification of the present application, including the
Abstract, with the following Substitute Specification:

SPECIFICATION**TITLE**

**METHOD FOR ALIGNING PACKET LOSS PRIORITY INFORMATION
IN A DATA-PACKET-SWITCHING COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE**

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**Field of the Invention**

The present invention relates, generally, to a method for aligning packet loss
priority information in a data-packet-switching communications device and, more

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